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Photo illustration by Staff Sgt. Russell Wicke

Master Sgt. Edward Strohl, (left) and Senior Master Sgt. Darren Trexler, both 79th Rescue Squadron, calculate the proper weights and balances for the first 79th RQS real-world mission. The mission took place Monday, 800 miles off the coast of California. A 79th RQS HC-130P provided refueling mission support.

79th flies first rescue mission

By Staff Sgt. Russell Wicke and Stephanie Ritter *355th Wing Public Affairs*

The 79th Rescue Squadron flew their first rescue mission Monday, 800 miles off the coast of California, to assist in the rescue of a man on a transport ship who was experiencing symptoms of appendicitis.

One HC-130P from the 79th RQS flew to assist the Air National Guard 129th Rescue Squadron, Moffett Federal Airfield, Calif., in refueling the helicopter that lowered a litter basket and pararescuemen to airlift the man to a hospital.

"Two C-130s were needed to support this mission," said Lt. Col. Steve Alderfer, 79th RQS commander.

"The 129th [RQS] requested our help because they didn't have enough resources at the time to complete the mission alone."

The 79th RQS HC-130P that flew the mission required more than 70,000 pounds of fuel, said Senior Master Sgt. Darren Trexler, 79th RQS loadmaster.

The mission required the 79th RQS to perform two separate in-flight refueling operations for the single HH-60 helicopter involved.

"The first refueling took place 200 miles off the coast," said Alderfer. "That way if for some reason we couldn't pass them fuel, the helicopter would still have enough fuel to make it back to land safely." With the success of the first refueling, the next didn't take place until over 600 miles off the coast, roughly 150 miles from the victim

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ORE hones air warriors' skills

By Maj. Gary Carruthers 355th Wing Public Affairs

Units at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base spent this week honing their combat readiness skills in an operational readiness exercise.

The exercise tested the readiness of the 355th Wing and 55th Electronic Combat Group to quickly deploy air warriors, equipment and airplanes based on a higher headquarters tasking, then the ability to operate and survive in a deployed environment.

"We've taken a significant step up on the readiness ladder since our last ORE in April, but we have a distance to go yet," said Col. Larry Stutzriem, 355th Wing commander. "We are getting incredible results from our strategy of the last two months. We've focused on results-oriented leadership and we've centered ourselves on the combat basic disciplines of all specialties. Task training and team coaching during our new Wing Readiness Days are clearly paying off."

After the April exercise, Stutzriem was concerned the wing was sending airmen to combat not as prepared as they could be to engage and kill the enemy. As a result, wing planners built a robust schedule of training days and exercises throughout the summer and fall.

The commander noted that some expressed concern about exercising in the heat of the Arizona summer. Many thought it would be too hot and too difficult to do safely.

"Actually we found the opposite to be true. Because of leadership involvement and individual professionalism, there have been fewer safety incidents this time than in April," said Stutzriem. "Morale remained impressively high and warrior attitude is everywhere."

Preliminary results from this exercise show several areas that still need more attention. These include force protection and anti-terrorism efforts, information protection, unit deployment management and a general accountability of fulfilling training requirements.

"One noticeable improvement since April is a change in attitude," said Chief Master Sgt. John Foran, 355th Wing command chief. "The

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Thanks to the FSC

Comment: I just wanted to let you know what a great job Master Sgt. Michael Starkey and all the staff at the family support center have done to make my family's temporary stay in Tucson, Ariz. a good one.

My family is currently stationed at the U.S. Embassy, Kuwait, and in February my three children and I were evacuated to Tucson, Ariz. As soon as I arrived, Starkey contacted me and was able to help get my family settled. He assisted me with getting access to the base, signing up for medical care, filing vouchers and much more.

He, along with the friendly staff at the family support center, made our transition a smooth one and made us feel like we were members of the D-M family once again. We are preparing to return to Kuwait in a few weeks and I wanted to take the time to say thanks to Starkey, the staff at family support and everyone at D-M who made my family feel welcome during our stay.

Response: Thank you for taking the time to forward your kind words about the service Master Sgt. Michael Starkey provided to you and your family. Mike's just one of the 14 outstanding professionals who work on the family support center staff. I can tell you from personal experience that they all take great pride in their work.

In addition, I wanted to let you know that we all appreciate the sacrifice of you and your children for the sake of our impressive military operations in Southwest Asia.

Gate closure concerns

Concern: About the gate access during the closure of the Craycroft Road Gate, it doesn't seem to account for the folks who live in base housing with Swan Road Gate being open 24 hours and Wilmot not being open. It seems it would be dangerous to have housing occupants coming all the way across base versus coming in the Wilmot Road Gate. Could you address those concerns.

Response: I share your concern for the safety of all our base residents and employees. The Swan Road Gate was chosen as the 24-hour access point during the construction of our main gate because it provided the necessary room for a temporary visitors' center. While the increased driving distance of about two miles from the former 24-hour access point at the Craycroft Road Gate to the Swan Road Gate increases an individual's exposure to road hazards, the base speed limits and traffic controls are set to properly provide for traffic safety and minimize accidents.

Since your call, the operating hours at the Wilmot Road Gate have been increased to help with the early morning and early evening traffic flow. The hours of operation for the Wilmot Road Gate are 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. We will continue to monitor the traffic flow, and make changes as necessary throughout the construction period.



Col. Larry Stutzriem 355th Wing Commander

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a goal for all D-M people. Ideas, suggestions, comments, concerns and kudos are important to make improvements. The best way to pass along a comment or to get an answer to a concern is to contact the agency chief or functional managers listed here. Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is 228-4747. An

e-mail can also be sent to: 355th Wing.CommandersCorner@dm.af.mil Callers must leave their name, phone number and a message. They will receive a prompt reply. A callers confidentiality will be honored, but sometimes we need to contact a caller to gather additional information. If a concern is of interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the Desert Airman. Anonymous calls may not be published

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Staff Sgt. Russell Wicke

Team D-M Mission Spotlight

The 355th Services Squadron offers a full range of military and community support programs for the D-M community. Programs such as dining facilities, libraries and fitness centers directly support the unit readiness mission by providing a physically and mentally fit force. The community service programs support the family unit and contribute to individual social development and enjoyment. The Family support and quality-of-life initiatives help attract and, more importantly, retain a quality force.

(Left) Taylor Blair, daughter of Debbie and Jeff Blair, gets a hug from (left to right) Daisy Duck, Donald Duck, Goofy, Minnie Mouse and Mickey Mouse. Children of all ages were greeted by the characters June 6 at the sneak preview of the new Disney movie The Even Stevens Movie at the base theater. The United Services Organization partnered with the Walt Disney Company for the event.

The base theater plays a variety of current films each weekend. A listing of movies currently showing can be found on Page 18.

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Troops to move from Korean DMZ

By Gerry Gilmore

American Forces Press Service

U.S. and Republic of Korea officials agreed to a plan to realign American forces stationed in "The Land of the Morning Calm."

During meetings held June 4 and 5 in the South Korean capital city of Seoul, according to a joint U.S.-South Korean statement, it was decided the operation would consist of two phases:

- ♦ Phase 1 U.S. forces at installations north of the Han River would consolidate in the Camp Casey (Tongduchon) and Camp Red Cloud (Uijongbu) areas. Both bases are north of Seoul and the Han, but well south of the demilitarized zone that separates North and South Korea. The 14,000-strong U.S. Army 2nd Infantry Division, which provides troops to bases near the Demilitarized Zone, is headquartered at Camp Red Cloud.
- ♦ Phase 2 U.S. forces north of the Han River would move to key hubs south of the Han River.

U.S. and Korean officials agreed to continue rotational U.S. military training north of the Han even after Phase 2 is completed, according to the statement.

The realignment operation would take several years to complete, according to the joint statement.

Realignment of American troops in South in the future, according to the statement.

Korea is part of an ongoing U.S. force assessment involving overseas and stateside troops. About 37,000 U.S. troops are currently serving in South Korea.

U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz noted at a June 2 press conference in Seoul that "a substantial amount of money" would be invested — about \$11 billion, according to U.S. defense officials — over the next four years "in some 150 programs to enhance U.S. capabilities here on the (Korean) Peninsula." The U.S.-ROK statement noted that the realignment would also involve moving U.S. forces out of Yongsan garrison in Seoul.

Wolfowitz returned June 3 from a trip to Singapore, Seoul and Tokyo to discuss mutual security matters with East Asian leaders.

The deputy defense secretary observed in Seoul "that any basic changes we make to our ground forces here will affect the 2nd Infantry Division." However, U.S. "commitment to the defense of (South) Korea remains firm," the deputy defense secretary asserted at the Seoul press conference.

The purpose of realigning U.S. forces in South Korea, Wolfowitz pointed out, "is to enhance deterrence, not to weaken it."

More U.S.-ROK meetings on the subject of U.S. forces' realignment in South Korea are slated in the future, according to the statement.

AFPC to post MSgt, TSgt, SSgt promotion lists

The Air Force plans to release its list of new technical and master sergeant promotions June 26 (June 27 for those units across the international date line) and its list of new staff sergeant promotions Aug. 13 (Aug. 14 for those units across the international date line).

The promotion lists of those Air Force members selected for promotion to technical sergeant, master sergeant and staff sergeant will be available online at the Air Force Personnel Center's home page (www.afpc.randolph.af.mil) by the close of business June 27 and Aug. 14 respectively.

To allow more deployed airmen to be consid-

ered in the regular promotion cycle, the announcements were delayed.

The delays, however, will not effect effective dates: Aug. 1 for technical and master sergeants and Sept. 1 for staff sergeants. Delays resulted from the Air Force allowing extra time for deployed and returning airmen to test, said AFPC officials, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas.

"Our goal is to try and mirror, as closely as possible, a list where 100 percent of the eligibles had been able to test in the normal timeframe," said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Billingsley, AFPC chief of the enlisted promotions branch. (Courtesy Air Force Personnel Center)

153 irmen were saved from the consequences of driving under the influence by the Airmen Against Drunk Driving Program since Dec. 31. (Information current as of Friday, June 6)

Call AADD at **850-2233**

10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 4 p.m. to midnight Sundays for a ride.

Emergency Numbers Ambulance......911 Mortuary Officer......228-5964 or 4414 Casualty Assistance.....228-3686 (After duty hours).....228-3121 Command Post......228-7400 (After duty hours)......228-3121 Duty Chaplain......228-5411 355th Security Forces Crime Stop..228-4444 Safety......228-5558 (After duty hours)......228-3517 Fire Reporting......911 (After duty hours).....909-0316 Public Affairs......228-3204 Base locator......228-3347 TIPS Line......228-TIPS (8477) (After duty hours)......228-7400

News Notes

Claims for estate

Any person or persons having claims for or against the estate of Staff Sgt. Michael Earl Cole, deceased, assigned to the 25th Operational Weather Squadron, should contact Capt. Marc Gasbarro, 25th OWS summary court officer, at 228-0282.

Claims for estate

Any person or persons having claims for or against the estate of Airman 1st Class Melesio Merino, deceased, assigned to the 612th Air Communications Squadron, should contact Maj. Patrick Murphy, 612th ACOMS summary court officer, at 228-6813 or via e-mail at patrick.murphy @dm.af.mil.

Traffic pattern change

Road construction at the intersection of Sunset Road and Saratoga Avenue will start Monday and is scheduled to last through June 30. For the duration of construction, traffic in this area will be restricted to a single lane in all directions.

CAC IDs

Personnel are reminded that a Mobile Registration Unit will be issuing Common Access Cards through Aug. 15. Appointments are scheduled by going to https://intranet under "Hot Items." 355th Wing personnel will not schedule CAC issue appointments during operational readiness exercises unless they have explicit supervisor approval. Each unit will be assigned a one-week window for setting an appointment. For more information, call Tony Wachala at 228-4169.

PFEs arrive

The 2003 Promotion Fitness Examination and Supervisory Examination study guides are now being distributed to Air Force locations.

Housing office new hours

As of Monday, the new hours for walk-in service at the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Housing Office are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information on housing office services or their hours of operation, call Ruby Modica, housing office manager, at 228-4264.

Burger King re-opens

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service reopened the newly renovated base Burger King May 30. The hours of operation are Mondays through Fridays 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call Dewey Brown, AAFES general manager, at 228-3904.

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Health Focus

2003 Davis-Monthan Drinking Water Consumer **Confidence Report**

What is a Consumer Confidence Report and why am I receiving it?

This is a report on the quality of water delivered by Davis-Monthan Air Force Base to its residents. It is mandated by the Environmental Protection Agency under the "Consumer Confidence Reporting Rule" of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. Public water systems, which supply drinking water must publish a report every year by July 1. This report presents information on the source of our water, its constituents and the health risks associated with contaminants.

How is the quality of drinking water at Davis-Monthan AFB?

We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements. Davis-Monthan AFB routinely monitors over 200 constituents in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. The table below shows the analytical results of constituents that have exceeded detectable limits throughout our continuous monitoring for the period of Jan. 1, 2000 to May 15. 2003. As you will see in the table, only the Nitrate and Asbestos contaminants exceeded their detection limits but none have exceeded the maximum contaminant level set forth by federal and state regulations

Where does my drinking water come from and why are there contaminants in the water?

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff and residential uses. Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production and can also come from gas stations, urban storm-water runoff and septic systems. Radioactive contaminants can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water

provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hot line at (800) 426-4791.

Source water assessment and its availability

The Davis-Monthan drinking water system is totally independent from the city of Tucson's water supply. Our ground water is drawn from nine production wells throughout the base. The well water is introduced to the base distribution system through eight points of entry. These eight POEs are where the majority of samples are collected for analysis and then compared to Environmental Protection Agency and State of Arizona standards. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

The testing is conducted by the 355th Aerospace Medical Squadron, Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk.

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/ AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The EPA and the Centers for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hot line at (800) 426-4791. It is our opinion based on analysis that these people are not at risk at D-M, but these people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

Whom do I contact for local information?

If you have questions concerning the content of this report, or would like to review sampling data, contact the Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight at 228-5369. If you have questions about the base water distribution system or how water is supplied to you, contact the 355th Civil Engineer Squadron, Utility Element at 228-4167.

Water Quality Table

The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that were detected during the monitoring period of this report. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk

Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the monitoring period of the report. The EPA or the State requires D-M to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

Contaminants	MCLG or MRDLG	or		Ran Low	ge High	Sample Date	Violatio	n Typical Source
Inorganic Conto	aminants							
Antimony (ppb)	6	6	0.4	0.2	0.4		No	Discharge from petro-
leum refineries; fi	ire retarda	nts; cera	mics; elec	ctronics; s	older; test	t addition.		
Arsenic (ppb)	0	50	3.2	0.5	3.2		No	Erosion of natural
deposits; Runoff f	rom orcha	rds; Run	off from g	glass and	electronic	es product	ion waste	S
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.074	0.034	0.074		No	Discharge of drilling
wastes; Discharge	from met	al refine	ries; Eros	sion of nat	ural depo	osits		
Chromium (ppb)	100	100	2.6	0.2	2.6		No	Discharge from steel and
pulp mills; Erosio	n of natura	al deposit	s					
Copper - source								
water (ppm)		0.26	0.26	ND	0.26		No	Corrosion of household
plumbing systems	s; Erosion	of natura	d deposits	3				
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.4^{-}	0.2	0.4		No	Erosion of natural
deposits; Water ac	dditive wh	ich prom	otes stror	ng teeth; I	Discharge	from fert	ilizer and	aluminum factories
Lead - source		0.5	0.5	ND	0.5	2000	No	Corrosion of household
plumbing systems	s; Erosion	of natura	d deposits	3				
water (ppb)			•	(MPL)				
Nitrate								
[measured as								
Nitrogen] (ppm)	10	10	1.1	1	1.3		No	Runoff from fertilizer
use; Leaching from	m septic ta	anks, sew	age: Eros	sion of na	tural depo	osits		
Selenium (ppb)	50	50	3.1	2	3.1	2000	No	Discharge from petro-
leum and metal r	efineries: 1	Erosion o	of natural	deposits:	Discharg	e from mi	nes	T I
Asbestos (MFL)	7	7	5.5	ND	5.5		No	Decay of asbestos cemen
water mains; Eros	sion of nat	ural dep	osits					
Radioactive Con	taminant	s						
Alpha emitters	0	15	2.4	1.5	2.9		No	Erosion of natural
deposits (pCi/L)	-	-	•					
Radium deposits	0	5	0.4	ND	0.5		No	Erosion of natural
(combined 226/	-	-		. –			. =	
228) (pCi/L)								
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As part of an on-s	going evalu	ation pr	ogram the	e EPA has	required	us to mo	nitor som	e additional contaminants

As part of an on-going evaluation program the EPA has required us to monitor some additional contaminants chemicals. Information collected through the monitoring of these contaminants/chemicals will help to ensure that future decisions on drinking water standards are based on sound science.

Chlorodibromomethane (ppb)	0.001	ND		0.00	
Chloromethane (ppb)		0.0008	ND		0.00

Unit Descriptions

ug/L : Number of micrograms of substance in one liter of water

mg/L: Number of milligrams of substance in one liter of water

ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)

ppt: parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter ppq: parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

mrem/yr: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)

MFL: million fibers per liter, used to measure asbestos concentration NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Units. Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it

because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

positive samples/month: Number of samples taken monthly that were found to be positive

positive samples/yr: The number of positive samples taken that year

positive samples/yr: The number of positive samples taken that year

% positive samples/month: Percent of samples taken monthly that were positive

% killed or inactivated: Percentage of viruses/bacteria killed or inactivated by treatment method

CFU/ml: Colony Forming Units per milliliter

NA: not applicable ND: Not detected

NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended.

Important Drinking Water Definitions

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water.

MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water. AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions

MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. MNR: Monitored Not Regulated

MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level

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vMPF now offers travel accrual filing

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker Air Force Print News

The Air Force has automated the process of filing travel-accrual payment requests for military travelers, making it available at the Virtual Military Personnel Flight Web page (http://www. afpc.randolph.af.mil/km/ vMPF_Portal/vMPF_Portal.htm).

"Anytime we can add additional services for our deployed or [temporary duty] personnel to contact us it's good for the member and finance personnel," said Maj. Howard Osborne, 355th Wing Comptroller Squadron commander. "The new capability will make the payment process more efficient and allow us to be more responsive to our customers."

According to Chief Master Sgt. Larry Gonzales, executive for enlisted matters to the assistant secretary of the Air Force for financial management and comptroller at the Pentagon, the result is better customer service for travelers

deployed financial services offices and improving payment accountability for home-station offices.

In the past, travelers who incurred charges en route to their TDY or deployed location had to fill out an accrual-payment worksheet and provide it to their home station financial services office, he said. Many travelers often had to rely on assistance from deployed financial services offices to fax or e-mail the worksheet back to their home-station office for processing, he said.

Because of technological challenges in some locations, deployed finance offices often had to dedicated one person to faxing worksheets to home station, said Gonzales.

Even when lines were working, Gonzales said, there were no guarantees that home-stations, because of the difference in time zones, received the worksheets.

Travelers can now complete worksheets on any computer with

while reducing the workload for Internet access, Gonzales said. Once sent, travelers can rest assured their home-station financial services office received and processed their request, and issued the accrual payment. Payments can be made to a traveler's account or their government travel card.

> "Automated vouchers will provide a safe reliable means for deployed members to file travel accruals," said Osborne. "Enhanced processing of payments should ease any financial burdens for members and their families."

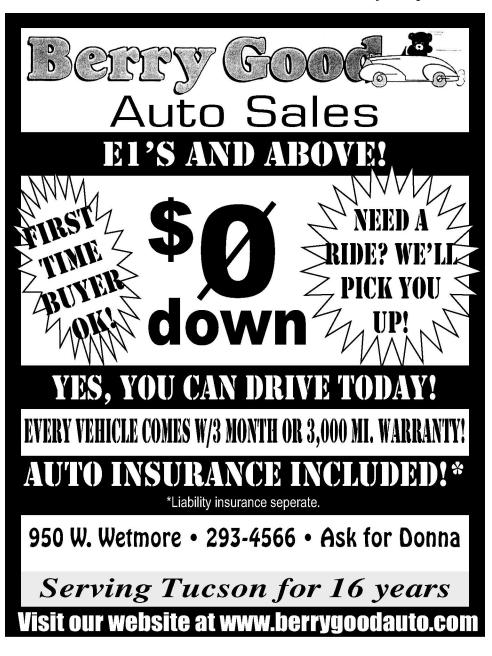
> "Although filling out the worksheet on vMPF is the preferred way for travelers to submit their accrual worksheets, because of real-world limitations, worksheets can still be faxed or sent via e-mail," the chief explained. The way to improve the travel-accrual

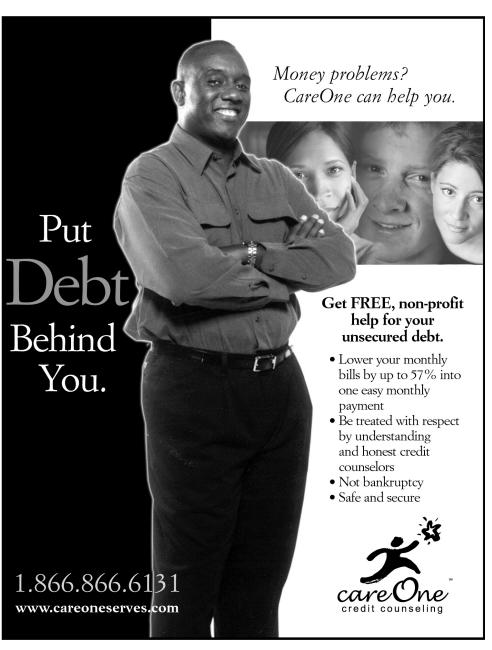
payment process for travelers, Gonzales said. Until Air Force finance officials heard about what officials at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, had developed.

"They created a Web-based system to help their deployed members file their travel accrual-payment requests," he said. "We liked their idea and wanted to implement it Air Force-wide.

"People from the Air Force Personnel Center at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, were able to help, he said. "Three weeks after telling AFPC what we wanted, the travel-accrual worksheet was available under vMPF for deployed and airmen TDY to use worldwide," Gonzales said. The Web-based process of submitting travel-accrual is currently limited to military travelers; Air Force officials are working to offer the service to civilians through the Vir-Air Force was struggling to find a tual Civilian Personnel Flight Web site, he said.







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Desert Lightning team responded to the war tasking with a team effort and 'can-do' attitude."

Another noteworthy observation was the contribution of the young warriors. "We had two-stripers in the mobility area building chem bags that allowed the line to process 72 people in 31 minutes," said Col. Mike Spencer, 355th Wing vice commander. He also praised the lieutenants working issues on the flight line and marshalling people through the personnel processing line.

"I was pleased with the levels of effort in this exercise," said Stutzriem. "People were committed to the win. We're learning that we can overcome any roadblock in the way of the mission."

He went on to say the next step is to start thinking about systemic fixes to the processes to prevent problems from recurring.

He cited an example of a problem with the first chalk.

The first chalk failed to meet the cargo load start time when the mobility machine stopped for a flat tire on a piece of equipment being processed. At the first battlestaff briefing, it was reported the chalk busted because of a broken valve stem.

"We challenged ourselves immediately to understand how a combat wing can be stopped by a flat tire," said Col. Tim Fletcher, 355th Mission Support Group.

The next day, upon further analysis, the staff was briefed on the processes that led to the problem and different decisions that would have allowed the chalk to recover.

"Desert Lightning will never be stopped again by something like a broken valve stem," said Stutzriem. "Our magnificent warriors were sailing by the end of the deployment processing phase."

The 355th Wing and 55th Electronic Combat Group will continue to exercise throughout the summer and early fall. In addition to preparing the units for an inspection, and, more importantly, the exercises will ensure our airmen improve their combat skills and are truly ready to fight when they get the call to defend our nation.

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"The mission went beautifully," said Alderfer. However, he also pointed out that the rescue was more than a simple first rescue mission success for the 79th Rescue Squadron.

"This mission gave us a chance to do a no notice, quick reaction our experienced crew members to

rescue," Alderfer said. "While our aircraft are properly equipped and our people are fully trained, we had not planned to be in the mode to act that quickly to a real-world mission." In fact, the 79th RQS is not schedule to be ready for their primary mission of deploying for combat rescue missions until April

"We relied on the expertise of

handle this real-world mission," Alderfer added.

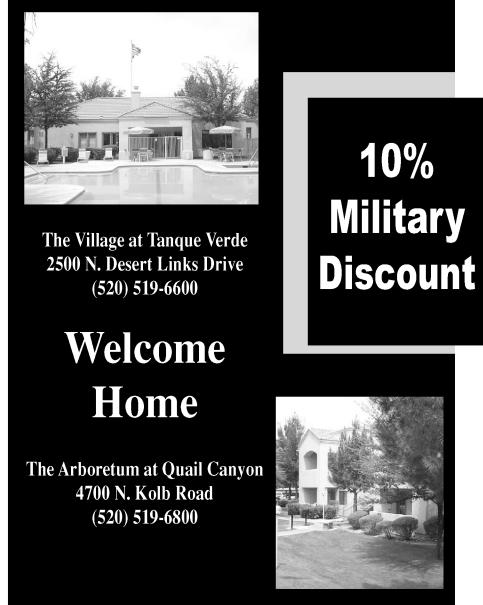
In addition, the crew were actually prepared to do more than their share of the refuelings.

"Because we made it to Point Magu, [Naval Air Warfare Center, Calif.] about an hour and a half before the scheduled time, we were able to fill up on enough fuel to handle the entire mission in case something happened to the

second C-130," said Alderfer. "However, after we confirmed the 129th RQS could handle the refuel the HH-60 on the way back to land, we headed home."

The crew landed at 11 p.m. Monday for a total of nearly 10 hours of flying time. They have since been informed that the rescued man was safely transported to a California hospital for further treatment.





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Despite deployments, other critical missions like training new pilots continue. People at home still face daily medical and financial needs, further stressing the mission. But together we make it through as we learn that ...

Teamwork can help make us successful

By Lt. Col. John Horner 354th Fighter Squadron

The Global War against terrorism is stage to some exciting and trying times for our nation, and particularly the U.S. military.

Though we don't even know where the next hot spot may be, we do know that the president

has outlined and detailed a game plan for dealing with those that present or directly support a threat to the nation. His commitment to dealing with these threats has been unwavering. Units at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base have been, and will continue to be, a vital tool in engaging this threat. The measures we take at home base now and through the fall will sow the seeds for continued success — as evaluated in the upcoming operational readiness inspection, in a real world deployment, or both.

Rapidly generating and deploying aircraft on short notice for war is quite a feat. But this

feat is tasked to the 355th Wing and 55th Electronic Combat Group by our nation's leadership. Success is dependent on the immense resources and extraordinary people here at Davis-Monthan. No unit can get the job done alone, yet any unit can

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Final Answer



Tech. Sgt. **Michael Church** 372nd Training Squadron

"My favorite summertime activities include barbecuing, being outdoors and riding bikes. I also like hiking and camping."



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Airman 1st Class Marcos Lopez 355th Civil Engineer Squadron

"During the summer, I enjoy going to Sabino Canyon with my family, as well as hiking and picnicing at Bear Canyon and on Mt. Lemmon."



Tech. Sgt. **Scott Dougan** 355th Comptroller Squadron

"My favorite thing to do during the summer is to go camping with my family."

Dr. Dale Stevens



Master Sqt. Eric Jiran 355th Maintenance Squadron

"Sailing is my favorite summertime activity. It can be peaceful and relaxing or thrilling and exciting depending on the wind strength."



What is your favorite summertime activity?

Airman 1st Class Zinna Dix 355th Civil **Engineer Squadron**

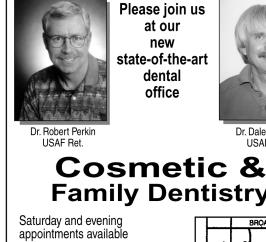
"During the summer, I enjoy diving into pools or swimming in lakes, rivers or the ocean."



Airman **Edward Flordeliz** 48th Rescue Squadron

the time."

"My favorite activity is to breakdance. Back in California, my friends and I use to practice for summer competitions all of



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ACC gets safety reminders

By Gen. Hal Hornburg

Air Combat Command commander

The "101 Critical Days of Summer" started just over a week ago, and the results are saddening.

In one case we lost a valuable warrior who did everything right, attended the commander's safety briefs, built and executed a solid travel plan and was wearing his seatbelt. Unfortunately, he was the victim of someone who was not doing everything right.

In another case, we had multiple warriors pushing the limits trying to drive all night to get to their destinations. The driver and front-seat passenger were not buckled up—and the passenger lost her life after being thrown from the vehicle after a rollover. This past weekend, we had a young airman killed in a motorcycle accident after losing control at grossly excessive speed.

We know you are working all our safety challenges with unprecedented diligence, and we need to continue to stress personal safety and risk management at every opportunity.

Based on the past few days and summer history of accidents in the Air Combat Command, we need your focused efforts more than ever to reverse the trend of preventable accidents within ACC.

Tips for vehicle safety

- ◆ Use of seatbelts is mandatory.
- ◆ Never use drugs and alcohol. Stimulants can not substitute adequate rest.
- ◆ Obey all posted speed limits and traffic signs.
- ◆ Plan your trip in advance and drive only as far as planned or scheduled.
- ◆ Plan frequent rest and meal breaks to prevent fatigue.
- ◆ A daily driving period should not exceed eight hours or 300 miles.
- ◆ Discourage late-night driving. A high percentage of drivers on the road after dark are fatigued or have been drinking.
- ◆ Verify all weather conditions for the route and pack supplies accordingly.

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create the conditions for failure.

To make matters worse, the necessary actions must be accomplished in the midst of other critical missions, like training new fighter pilots and maintainers to sustain combat action.

Obviously, people will still inevitably get sick or hurt at home in times of war, stressing available medical services with multiple tasks.

Accurate accounting and finance activities are even more critical to support troops deploying to the combat zone and their loved ones left behind. Directly supporting the wartime mission,

or even exercising to do so, comes at a great cost, in terms of many wing resources and plain old sweat.

As commander of the 354th Fighter Squadron Bulldogs, I have been truly humbled in recent weeks by the professionalism and tireless efforts of members of other units in this wing directed at ensuring our

success in combat operations. Weekend exercises in the hot Arizona sun have provided the setting for some amazing acts of heroism, dedication and selflessness.

Efforts of the Desert Lightning team have not gone unnoticed by operations and maintenance personnel that wear the Bulldog patch. Thank you.



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Sonoran Spotlight

(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman that profiles a member (officer, enlisted or civilian) of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Desert Lightning community. Members are nominated by their unit commander or first sergeant.)

Name: Airman 1st Class Michael Boyd **Organization:** 355th Comptroller Squadron **Duty title:** Customer service technician

Hometown: Massey, Md. **Years of service:** Two

Reason for joining the Air Force: To travel and to get away from home and experience different things

Main responsibilities: I am the point of contact for all deployment vouchers and I ensure all members' entitlements are processed.

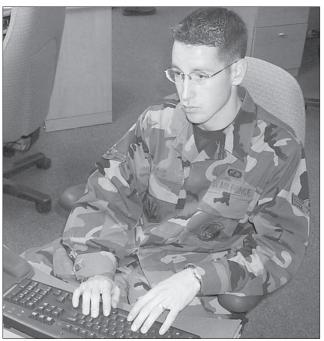
Best aspects of job: The best aspect of my job is being able to work inside in the air conditioning.

Goals: My goals are to receive a bachelors degree in financial management, go to Officer Training School and to retire from the Air Force with my masters degree.

Hobbies/outside activities: Hooking up cars, tennis, golf and schooling members in my squadron in physical training every week

Favorite thing about D-M: January, February, March, October, November and December Best assignment: This is my first one so I'll have to say this is my favorite.

Inspiration: My parents because they would do anything for me.



D-M 90's club for April

Congratulations to the following individuals who achieved an outstanding score of 90 percent or above on their career development course exam in the month of April: 25th Operational Weather Squadron, Senior Airman Shannon Sowerwine; 355th **Aircraft Maintenance Squadron,** Airman 1st Class Timothy James; 355th Communications Squadron, Tech. Sgt. James Wilson; 355th **Component Maintenance Squadron**, Airman 1st Class

Zachary Wilkie; 355th **Equipment Maintenance** Squadron, Staff Sgt. George Hailey, Jr. and Airman 1st Class Robert Saucedo; 355th **Logistics Readiness** Squadron, Airman Steven Nichols; 355th Medical Operations Squadron, Airman 1st Class Christina Herrera; 355th Operational Support Squadron, Staff Sgt. Dana Cranley; 43rd **Electronic Combat** Sqadron, Senior Airman Colleen Gibeault

Air Force Parent Pins

Join with other airmen in recognizing your father this Father's Day with an Air Force Parent Pin. The Defense Commissary Agency has partnered with the Air Force to promote the parent pin program, designed to honor moms and dads and to communicate to them the importance of their children's service, to express gratitude for parents' unceasing support, and to convey a sense of partnership between the Air Force and the parents of America's airmen.

The Air Force Parent Pin program encourages airmen to

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(Editor's note: "Integrity, Service, Excellence" is a forum for all D-M units to submit the names of their people who have earned recognition through monthly and quarterly awards, graduation from formal training and outstanding Career Development Scores. Submissions must include name, rank, unit and type of award earned. "Integrity, Service, Excellence" is not a forum to announce retirements, decorations, obituaries and awards from civilian organizations. Individual and unit awards from command level and higher may be covered as a $news story space \ permitting. \ Contributions \ can \ be \ made \ directly \ to \ the \ 355th \ Wing \ Public \ Affairs \ Office, \ Building \ 2300, \ Suite \ 2054, \ or \ through \ e-mail \ to \ desert. airman@dm.af.mil.)$



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published by Boys Town Press.

When a parent realizes that "I can correct my child, he or she may get upset with me, but the child is still going to love me," the parent gains confidence, according to Barnes. The book shows parents how to stay calm, communicate clearly, set boundaries, have reasonable expectations, give consistent consequences, and teach a young child self-control and other-skills.

Parenting toddlers can be a time of high conflict. Many couples are just finding out that they have very different parenting styles — one may see the other as either too lenient or too strict, says Barnes. It may not be an exaggeration, she adds, to say that agreeing to use Common Sense Parenting® techniques "saves marriages. It can lead to a lot less strife"

niques "saves marriages. It can lead to a lot less strife."

Parents, according to Barnes, list many of the same problems

with their toddlers — acting up at bedtime and meals, throwing temper tantrums, refusing to take "no" for an answer, etc. In dealing with these issues, however, parents also make common mistakes — treating children like "little adults," giving kids choices they're not equipped to make, and setting expectations too high.

Young children, she says, need lots of reminders, assistance, modeling, and patience. The book provides step-by-step information on how to do these things. Also included are answers to dozens of questions frequently asked by parents of toddlers.

Barnes is the mother of two and stepmother of four children and has been a Common Sense Parenting trainer for 13 years.

Common Sense Parenting of Toddlers and Preschoolers is available from the Boys Town Press, 14100 Crawford St., Boys Town, NE 68010, 1-800-282-6657, https://doi.org/10.1001/10

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Airman 1st Class Sabrije Shemo

Photo Caption Contest

All members of the Desert Lightening Community are asked to try their hands at this week's photo caption contest. Send your clever captions or cutlines for what you think is happening in the photo (left) to desert.airman@dm.af.mil by June 20. Winners are scheduled to be posted in the June 27 edition of the Desert Airman. Send all photos for consideration in future editions of the photo caption contest to desert.airman @dm.af.mil.

Solutions

Desert Airman

The following are the solutions to the everyday conduct phrase scrambles from the June 6 edition of "The Lighter Side."

PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE EFFECTIVE OPERATION OF THE AIR FORCE.

ETHICS ARE STANDARDS BY WHICH ONE SHOULD ACT BASED ON VALUES.

The solutions were also located in the Air Force Pamphlet 36-2241 Volume 1, Section 8D, 8.18 and 8.19.1.

For contributions to "The Lighter Side," send an e-mail to desert.airman@dm.af.mil.

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Safety, safety, safety

Military strives to educate as 101 days of summer continue

By Arthur Myers

Director of Services

Safety is often one of those topics we talk about and now that summer is upon us, and we are finally able to enjoy warmer weather, it's only a matter of time before the beaches, swimming pools and parks start filling up with people ready to soak in the sun. Take time to prepare yourself — and family — for outdoor events. Specifically, let's talk two areas: sun and water safety.

You can get sunburned a lot quicker than you think. This year, over one million people in the U.S. will develop skin cancer. Don't let yourself or your family members become one of them.

Next up ... the water. Each year, approximately 6,000 people drown in the United States. Drowning is the second leading cause of accidental deaths for persons 15 to 44 years of age. Even though you're out having fun in the warm weather, I ask you to carve out a few minutes to plan your event ... and take safety seriously.

Water Safety

During a recent calendar year, eight Air Force members drowned accidents occur each year, usuduring water-related "recreational ally because participants aren't activities" and one member drowned after his automobile

overturned in a creek. Drowning has become the second most likely cause of accidental death for Air Force members, surpassed by motor vehicle mishaps.

Water-related activities pose a very real and severe danger to our personnel. Fortunately, this danger can be greatly reduced if we follow a few simple water safety guidelines.

- ◆ Learn to swim. The best thing anyone can do to stay safe in and around water is to learn to swim. Also, always swim with a buddy never swim alone.
- ◆ Obey rules and posted signs.
- ◆ Watch out for the "dangerous too's"-too tired, too cold, too far from safety, too much sun, too much strenuous activity.
- ◆ Don't mix alcohol and swimming. Alcohol impairs your judgment, balance and coordination. It also affects swimming and diving skills, and reduces your body's ability to stay warm.
- ◆ Pay attention to local weather conditions and forecasts. Stop swimming at the first indication of bad weather.
- ◆ Know how to prevent, recognize and respond to emergencies.

Water Skiing Safety

Thousands of water skiing following basic safety rules. It takes three to water ski: the

skier, the boat pilot and an observer in the boat. The driver cannot watch the skier and see where the boat is going at the same time. Someone in the towboat must raise a ski flag to warn other boaters when their skier is down in the water. They should also look out for flags warning of other downed skiers.

The personal flotation device worn by the skier must be of sufficient buoyancy to keep his or her face up in the water since falling and hitting the water, even at slow speeds, can knock the skier unconscious. Never ski in rough waters. Also, avoid swimmers, areas of heavy traffic and obstacles such as docks, rocks and bridge pilings.

If the skier falls, he or she should clasp both hands overhead. In a crowded boating area, they should hold up a ski to show that everything is okay. Never ski in shallow water, at night or in front of another boat.

Weather Safety

If you are caught outside during a storm and there is no adequate shelter available, take the following actions:

- ◆ Ground all metallic equipment, tools, etc.; and move a safe distance away.
- ◆ Avoid large open areas like fields and parking lots where you are the highest object.

- Stay away from lakes, ponds, railroad tracks and fences, which could bring current from far away strikes to you. Dense woods are relatively safe due to the number of trees that decrease the chance of lightning striking the tree next to you but do not stand close to any of them.
- ◆ If you are caught in an open area, seek the lowest available ground (i.e., a ditch or depression). If there is no low ground available, drop to your knees, bend forward and place your hands on your knees. Make sure that your head is not the highest point and that neither your hands or your head are in contact with the ground. Do not lie flat on the ground. If lightning is about to strike you or something extremely close, you may experience a tingling feeling on your skin and/or your hair may stand on end. If this occurs, immediately drop to the position described above. Victims of lightning strikes are not always initially in a fatal situation. Typically, a lightning strike will cause a cardiac arrest that can be corrected with proper resuscitation. Many lightning-related deaths occur when the victim does not receive proper medical attention, so make it a priority to know first aid and CPR procedures. Victims should also be evacuated as quickly as possible.

Safety Alert battery jump packs may cause injury

As Davis-Monthan Air Force Base members continue through the 101 critical days of summer, a recent hazard has been identified that may put members or their families at risk.

We have experienced two mishaps involving Jump-N-Carry jump packs within a onemonth period. Both mishaps resulted from individuals who failed to follow the manufactures instructions which states: Warning: Prior to jump-starting a vehicle, visually confirm that the unit is the same voltage mode (12 volt or 24 volt) as the vehicle to be jumpstarted. Improper voltage selection may cause damage or explosion.

In both mishaps workers connected the 24volt battery system into the 12-volt side of the Jump-N-Carry. After further investigation, it was concluded the batteries inside the Jump-N-Carry possibly overheated, popped off the batteries vent caps and emitted gases inside the jump packs container.

When the members disconnected the Jump-N-Carry from the batteries, it caused a spark, which ignited the built up fumes inside the unit. The explosion, as stated from both workers, was louder than a shotgun.

The force exerted had enough energy to crack the side of each Jump-N-Carry container, which is approximately 1/8th inch thick hard plastic, plus shatter the rear windshield of one of the vehicles.

The goal of sharing these safety incidents, which occurred at a deployed location in the area of responsibility, is to help prevent recurrence. Fortunately neither individual was injured, but had they been standing closer to the jump packs during the explosion the results may have been different.

Use of the Jump-N-Carry units is strongly discouraged, especially in universal industrial shops (vehicle maintenance), because of higher use, coupled with different 12/24-volt

Jump-N-Carry units present more of a hazard because they have few built-in safety features to prevent explosions. For more information about ways to help keep safe, visit the safety Web site via the intranet at https:// intranet/safety/default.ht. (Courtesy 355th Wing Ground Safety Office)

Fitness Center Classes

The following is a list of classes offered at both fitness centers. Instructor name (if known) is in parentheses. Class fee is listed if applicable. Other classes are free.

Monday

9 to 9:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – High Intensity (Amy) – New Fitness Center

11 to 11:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – Medium/High Intensity – (Deb) – New FC

11 a.m. to noon - Pilates (Krystine) - \$2 - New FC 11 a.m. to Noon - Step Aerobics (Cor) - Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center

Noon to 1 p.m. - Spinning (Cor) – Haeffner 5 to 6 p.m. – Step Aerobics (Cor) – Haeffner 5 to 5:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, white and yellow belts) – New FC

6 to 6:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, orange belts and up) - New FC $\,$

7 to 8 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (15 years plus) – New FC

Tuesday

6 to 6:45 a.m. - Spinning/Interval (Spring) - 2 - Haeffner

10 to 11 a.m. – Senior/Low Impact Aerobics (Cor) – \$2 - New FC

11 a.m. to noon - Pilates (Krystine) - \$2 - New FC Noon to 1 p.m. - Circuit Training (Cor) - Haeffner 5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics (Oralia) -- \$2 -- New FC 6:15 to 7 p.m. - Water Aerobics (Cor) - New FC 6 to 8 p.m. - Self Defense (Kyokushin) -- \$25/month -- New FC

Wednesday

9 to 9:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – High Intensity (Amy) – New FC

11 to 11:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – Medium/High Intensity – (Deb) – New FC

 $\begin{array}{l} 11 \ a.m. \ to \ noon-Step \ Aerobics \ (Sonya)-Haeffner \\ Noon \ to \ 1 \ p.m.-Boot \ Camp \ Interval \ Training \\ (Spring) \ - \ \$2-Haeffner \end{array}$

5 to 6 p.m. – Step Aerobics (Cor) – Haeffner 6:15 to 7 p.m. - Water Aerobics (Cor) - New FC 5 to 5:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, orange belts and up) – New FC

6 to 6:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, white and yellow belts) New FC $\,$

7 to 8 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (Adults) – New FC

Thursday

10 to 11 a.m. – Senior/Low Impact Aerobics (Cor) – \$2 - New FC

11 a.m. to noon - Pilates (Krystine) - \$2 - New FC Noon to 1 p.m. - Circuit Training (Cor) - Haeffner 5 to 5:45 p.m. - Water Aerobics (Cor) - New FC 5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics (Myra) - \$2 - Haeffner 6 to 8 p.m. - Kyokushin - \$25/month - New FC

Friday

9 to 9:45 a.m. - Water Aerobics - High Intensity (Amy) - New FC $\,$

11 to 11:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – Medium/High Intensity (Deb) - \$2 – New FC

11~a.m. to Noon – Step Aerobics (Cor) – Haeffner Noon to 1 p.m. – Spinning (Cor) – Haeffner 5 to 5:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8 to 14 yrs, white and yellow belt) – New FC

6 to 6:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8 to 14 yrs, orange belts and up) New FC $\,$

7 to 8 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (Adults) – New FC

Saturday

10 to 11 a.m. - Step Aerobics (Rumiko) - 2 - New FC

Sunday

9:15 to 10:15 a.m. - Hi-Low Aerobics (Yvette) - \$2 - New FC

Reminder: Active-duty members enrolled in the Fitness Improvement Program have priority in free aerobics classes (per AFI 34-266, para 3.4). Videos are available for check-out at the new fitness center for use in the aerobics room. For more information about fees and class charges, see the flyer at the fitness centers, or call 228-0021 or 228-0022.

Sports Shorts

Sidewinders Military Appreciationn

The Tucson Sidewinders invite everyone out to Tucson Electric Park tonight at 7 p.m. for an evening of baseball and fun during Military Appreciation Night. The Sidewinders will be taking on the Omaha Royals. Pick up free general admission coupons at the commissary cashier's office or at the community center. Each coupon is good for up to four people. For more information, call 228-3700.

Nine-Pin, No-Tap

The D-M bowling center will host a Nine-Pin No-Tap tournament Saturday starting at 12:30 p.m. For more information on the event, call 228-3461.

Women's soccer

Sonoran Thunder, the Tucson entry into the Women's Premier Soccer League, has kicked off its 2003 season. Heidi Commins and Torri George, both from D-M, play in this league, which features teams from Colorado and throughout the Southwest U.S. Several home games are slated for the summer ... the next is Saturday versus the Denver Diamonds. Games are played at Rillito Downs Park, just south of First and River ... kickoff is at 5 p.m. A special military admission rate for military member is \$5. For more information, call Commins at 228-2697.

Salt River Tubing Trip

Have some fun in the sun Saturday tubing down the Salt River. Children must be 8 years old and at least 48 inches tall to tube down the river. A parent or guardian must accompany anyone younger than 18. Bring plenty to drink, snacks, lunch and lots of sunscreen. It is recommended that you wear old tennis shoes and a hat while tubing. The trip departs at 7:30 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m. Tube rentals are \$12 at Salt River Recreation and include shuttle service (a valid driver's license is required as a deposit for up to five tubes). Trip cost is \$10 per person and includes transportation only. For more information, call 228-3736.

Sports training camps

The Air Force Sports Office is accepting Air Force Forms 303 for the following sports training camps (deadline to apply): men's soccer (Monday); men's and women's volleyball (June 20); men's basketball (July 1); men's and women's golf (Aug. 14); rugby (Aug. 29). For more information, call Jay Junsay at 228-0021, or Bob Gibson, at 228-0022.

Sunset Trail Ride

Take a horseback trail ride June 21 in the cool and beautiful Huachuca Mountains.

Children must be at least 7 years of age to ride; anyone younger than 18 must wear a helmet. Bring a camera ... the views are amazing. Trip departs at 3 p.m. and returns at 9 p.m. Cost: \$35. Includes a two-hour ride, barbecue dinner, drinks and transportation. For more information, call 228-3736.

D-M to L.A. Coliseum Race

A new fitness incentive program kicked off June 1, and will last through Aug. 30. The program promotes the use of cardiovascular equipment, and challenges participants to cover 500 miles in three months. Participants completing the program will receive a T-shirt and certificate. Stop by the fitness center for details.

Varsity coaches

The fitness center is looking for individuals interested in coaching varsity volleyball, softball and rugby. An Air Force Form 303 is required. For more information, call Jay Junsay at 228-0022.

Outdoor pool

The outdoor pool is open with the following hours of operation:

Tuesday through Friday; Lap Swim; 8 to 10:50 a.m.

Tuesday through Friday; Open Swim; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday; Family Swim; 5 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Friday and Sunday; Family Swim; 5 to 6 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday and Holidays; Open Swim; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday - Closed

The outdoor pool's daily fees are as follows: Child Admission - \$1; Children 2 and younger - Free; Adult Admission - \$2; Guest Admission - \$2.50; Lap Swim - \$1

Outdoor pool season passes are available for the following prices:

Individual Annual Pass: \$35. Annual Family Pass: \$80 (up to four family members). Each additional family member: \$5. Note: Season Passes do not include lap swimming, and are good for Regular Season only from May 22 to Aug. 10. For more information, contact outdoor recreation at 228-3736.

Fishing, hunting licenses

Outdoor recreation has Arizona Fishing and Hunting licenses available. The following prices are state regulated: Fishing: State: \$18. Urban: \$16. Two-pole stamp is an additional \$4 and trout stamp is an extra \$10.50. Hunting: \$25.50. Deer tag: \$17.50. Combo:

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\$44 (combo includes fishing license and trout stamp). For more information, call 228-3736.

Family Dollar Days

The D-M Bowling Center presents "Family Dollar Days" every Thursday until Aug. 29. The center will have \$1 fries, shoes, games, nachos and hot dogs all day long. For more information, call 228-3461.

Air Force Marathon

Registration is underway for the 2003 U.S. Air Force Marathon scheduled to be held Sept. 20 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Reduced fees for early registration are available until June 30. The registration deadline is Sept. 4. To register, or for more information, visit the marathon Web site at http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil/. Members can also call the marathon office at (937) 257-4350 or toll free at (800) 467-1823.

Scoreboard

Golf

Tuesday (Standings current as of May 13)

<u>Team</u>	W-L-T-Pt
12 IWF	2-0-21
LRS #2	2-0-21
12 AF #1	2-0-21
MSS/WG #1	2-0-18.5
CS	1-1-12
372 TRS Det 11	0-2-6
SFS	0-2-5.5
CMS	0-2-3
AMX/358 AMU	0-2-0
SVS #2	0-0-0

Thursday (Standings current as of May 15)

<u>Team</u>	W-L-T-Pt
MOS	2-0-20.5
EMS	2-0-13.5
LRS #1	1-1-12
SVS #1	1-1-12
75 OSS	1-1-13.5
25 OWS	1-1-11.5
70 4441	1 1 11

MDG MSS/WG #2 0-2-11

Softball

Monday/Wednesday (Standings current as of Monday)

<u>Team</u>	W-L
357 AMU	10-1
LRS #1	10-1
CMS #1	9-2
EMS/AMMO #1	8-2
12 AF	9-3
OSS	7-3
25 OWS	5-6
RQS	5-6
755 OSS	4-6
MOS	4-7
162 MAINT	4-7
COMM	3-8
612 ACOMS	3-9
SVS	1-10
79 AMU	0-11

Tuesday/Thursday

(Standings current as of Monday)

8-2 8-3 755 AMXS 5-2 CMS #2 6-4 162 AGE 5-5 5-5 DECA 5-6 MDG LRS #2 2-9 Amry Battery B 362 RCS 2-10

Bowling

Υ	Youth/Adult (Week 2)		
<u>Team</u>		W-L	
The 4-Zs		6-2	
Fabulous Fa	lks	5-3	
Handicaps		5-3	
Marvin Mart	tians	5-3	
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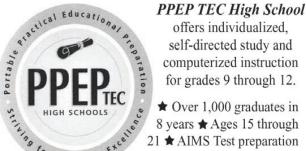
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Chapel Information

Services and activities offered by the D-M chapel are listed below. Location is at the Desert Dove Chapel unless otherwise noted. The Desert Dove and Hope Chapels share the parking lot at 5385 E. Ironwood. For more information on Jewish or Muslim services; Sunday School programs; Vacation Bible School; Bible studies; youth groups; and women's, men's and family ministry, call 228-5411.

Catholic Mass schedule

Saturday: Mass is at 5 p.m. Sacrament of Seminar June Wednesday through June 20 Reconciliation is at 4:30 p.m. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Building 3200, Room

Sunday: Mass is at 7:30 and 10 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation is at 9:15 a.m.

Daily: Catholic Mass and Communion is at 11:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Rosary begins at 11:10 a.m.

Protestant Services schedule

Sunday: Contemporary Service is at 8:30 a.m. and Gospel Service is at 11:15 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Traditional Service is at 11:15 a.m.

Education Services

2004 Air Command and Staff Seminar

The base education office is enrolling eligible officers and federal employees for ACSC, edition 14. Enrollment is required through the education office. Sign up early to ensure course materials arrive prior to the first seminar class. For more information, call Michelle Marinelli at 228-4249.

Community College of the Air Force

CCAF students wishing to have education/ training evaluated can now forward them directly to CCAF. Only official transcripts from civilian schools, and Certificates of Training will be accepted. For the NCO academy and Senior NCO academy, only official transcripts from Air University should be sent. Send documentation to CCAF/RRRA, Simler Hall Suite 128, 130 West Maxwell Blvd., Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. 36112-6613. For more information, call 228-4249 or 228-3484.

Virtual Education Center Web site

Students can order Community College of the Air Force transcripts online at https://afvec.langely.af.mil/afvec. Students can have direct access to their records after registering. The transcript link is on the first page.

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The University of Arizona South Campus in partnership with the Pima Community College East Campus, will be offering the Bachelor of Arts in Education with a Major in Secondary Education at Pima East Campus in the fall. Applications now being accepted. For more information call 626-2422 extension 2120 or 206-7662.

Family Support Center

Right Start Base Orientation

There is a Right Start Base Orientation

June Tuesday and June 24 at the officers club from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to welcome all newcomers to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and the Tucson area. Leadership and base agencies discuss a variety of programs and services available. Free childcare is available. For more information, call 228-5690.

TAP Seminar

There is a Transition Assistance Program Seminar June Wednesday through June 20 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Building 3200, Room 266 that focuses on preparing departing service members to conduct an effective job search in the civilian marketplace. Individuals are eligible to attend two years prior to retirement or within a year from separation. For more information, or reservations, call 228-5690.

New Air Force spouse orientation

The next orientation is June 26 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the officers club and targets new Air Force spouses that have been married for less than 5 years. Find out about benefits and get information from various base organizations. Fun activities, games, prizes, free childcare and lunch are available. For additional information, or to register, call 228-5690.

Deployed Spouse Seminar

There is a deployed Spouse Information Seminar June 27 at the Hope Chapel at 9 a.m. 2 or 7 p.m. Free babysitting is provided for the 7 p.m. class only. At that time, registration will be taken for the Readiness programs. For more information, or reservations, call 228-5690.

Relocation assistance

Families relocating to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base must make choices about school enrollment. Tucson, Ariz. and Pima County contain seventeen school districts and a number of private and charter schools. The Relocation Assistance Program at the family support center has materials on hand to help. To make an appointment to meet with a consultant, call 228-5690.

Happenings

Suicide intervention training

There is Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training June 25 and 26 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Desert Dove Chapel. For more information, or to sign up, e-mail Chaplain (Capt.) Randall Groves at Randall.Groves@dm.af.mil or call the chapel at 228-5411.

PA Speaker's Bureau

The Davis-Monthan Public Affairs office is looking for people to help tell the Air Force story through the PA's speaker's bureau. Speakers can talk to local audiences such as schools, churches, veterans' groups and

professional associations about almost any unclassified subject they want if one is not requested. For further guidance and information on the program, or to volunteer, call Janie McLaury at 228-5091.

Thrift shop

Davis-Monthan thrift shop, located in Building 3220, is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Consignments are taken until 1 p.m. To reserve space for large items and furniture, call 228-2120.

Movies

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12 and senior citizens. Admission is for DOD ID card holders and their guests only. For the movie recording, call 228-5694.

Friday: Bulletproof Monk (PG-13)

For 60 years, a mysterious monk has protected an ancient scroll that holds the key to unlimited power. Now the Monk must look for a new scrollkeeper. That's when an unlikely candidate, a streetwise young man who only cares about himself saves the Monk

from capture. Soon the two become partners in a scheme to save the world from the scroll's most avid pursuer. *1 hour, 43 minutes*



Saturday, 2 p.m.: Holes (PG)

Stanley Yelnats is sent to a Texas detention camp for a crime he didn't commit. There, he and the other boys are forced to dig five feet deep and wide holes, in the long-dry rock that was once the bottom of



Green Lake each day. But they soon learn they are digging for more than a character building experience. 1 hour, 51 minutes

Saturday, 7 p.m.: View from the Top (PG-13)

A young woman, played by Gwyneth Paltrow, from meager beginnings dreams of becom-



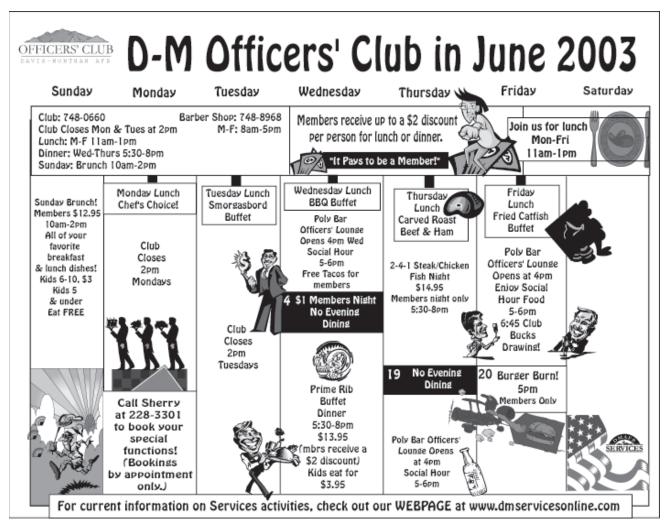
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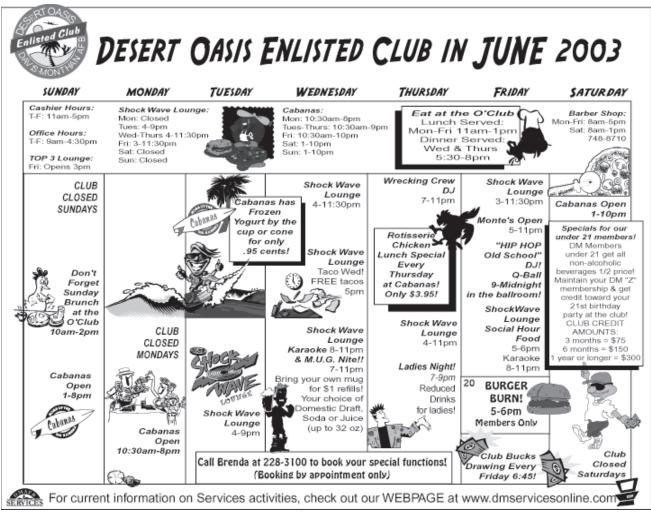
Sunday: Confidence (R)

A con man's latest scam puts him in debt with the mafia, when it turns out that his victim, is a mob accountant. While the kingpin, played by Dustin Hoffman, assigns an enforcer to shadow his every move, the con



man works to pull off another scam for the mob to pay off the debt before they come collecting. 1 hour, 38 minutes June 13, 2003 Desert Airman 19





Services Activities

Auto skills center overnighter

The auto skills center will open at 9 a.m. today and will remain open until 9 p.m. Saturday. Refreshments will be available from 5 p.m. June 13 until 9 a.m. June 14. Use your auto skills coupon on page 6 of the June Services Activity Magazine for two free hours of lift or stall time during the 36-hour period. The center will be closed for business June 15 and is closed every Monday. For more information, call 228-3614.

Club Closed for evening dining

There is no evening dining at The Mirage Thursday. For more information, call 228-3301.

Teen Luau and Boat Races

Teens ages 13 to 18 are invited to the base pool June 20 at 7 p.m. for the Teen Luau. Teens will build a boat out of cardboard and race across the base pool. A luau is planned afterwards. There will be fun, food and prizes. Cost is \$5. For more information, call the youth center at 228-8844.

Rotisserie chicken lunch special

Visit Cabanas for their delicious new rotisserie chicken lunch special from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays. The lunch special costs \$3.95 and includes a half chicken, fountain drink, fries or a tossed salad. For more information, call 747-3234.

Burger burn

Join us at The Mirage Officers Club or Desert Oasis Enlisted Club June 20 from 5 to 6 p.m. for a members burger burn. Spouses and guests are also invited. There will be free burgers, hot dogs, beans and chips. If you're not a member, fill out an application and join in on the fun. You'll not only become a member instantly, you'll also receive Services Bucks good at over 15 services facilities and many off-base merchants. For more information, call 228-3301 or 228-3100.

Summer Flea Market

Pull out those unused items sitting in your garage or closets from toys to kitchen items because the community center wants to help you sell your items for cash during their Summer Flea Market Sale Saturday. The sale starts at 7 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m. Sign up now to reserve your spot. Single tables are \$5 and two tables are \$8. For more information, call 228-3500.

Club fun on Fridays

Fridays, the clubs hold "Summer Friday Buck Night" where members can enjoy burgers, hot dogs, 16 ounce domestic draft beers or 16 ounce sodas for \$1 each. Non-members pay \$2. Also, members can register to win \$50 in club cash coupons by printing their name and phone number on their sales receipt, then leave receipt in the club cash drawing box near the cashier. Drawings

are held Fridays at 6:45 p.m. The last Friday of each month, \$100 in club cash coupons will be given away. Members don't have to be present to win but those not present when their name is drawn receive half the normal drawing amount. Club cash coupons can be spent just like money anywhere at the clubs, but may not be used with Services Bucks, gift certificates or other coupon or discount offers. For more information, call 228-3301 or 228-3100.

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A CARONDELET HEALTH TIP

Watch Your Step

by John P. Powers, DPM, Podiatric Surgery

Every day your feet endure roughly 8-10,000 steps. Many women endure those steps in high heels. This is the primary reason women have, according to the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA), about four times as many foot problems as men.

High heels may be a major problem for women, but they aren't the only problem. Pregnancy and age are just some of the factors which play a role in foot health.

The APMA determined that high heels — pumps with heels of more than two inches – are biomechanically and orthopedically unsound. High heels may contribute to a variety of foot problems including knee and back problems, injuries resulting from falls, shortened calf muscles, and an unnatural gait.

If you're a slave to fashion you can alleviate some of the high heel damage. Limit the time you wear high heels by alternating with more comfortable, naturally fitting shoes for part of the day.

Nylon stockings can cause foot woes, too. Because nylon doesn't breathe it creates a warm, damp area around your feet, inviting fungal infections (athlete's foot). The abrasiveness of nylon combined with a tight-fitting shoe is a recipe for blisters. Even more detrimental are tighter fitting support hose.

Pregnant women should take special precautions with their feet. Pregnancy changes the entire body, but supportive, shock-absorbing shoes with broadbased heels help swollen feet and ankles to bear the weight of those changes. A podiatrist should be seen if unusual foot discomfort is experienced.

Fat pads on the bottom of the foot deteriorate as you age, so older women experience more foot trouble than younger women do. Cushioned shoes are crucial, as is a soft flexible upper that conforms to the natural shape of the foot. Wearing leather shoes that "breathe" help prevent skin irritations on the feet.

If you experience continued pain an examination by a foot and ankle specialist is in order. Attempts at self-treatment can cost you not only time and money, they might make the problem worse. Preventing foot problems can be as simple as a wardrobe change and a little extra care — a small price to pay to avoid the agony of "de feet."

Dr. Powers practices Podiatric Medicine and Surgery in Tucson and Green Valley. Call (520) 319-3283 for an appointment.

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